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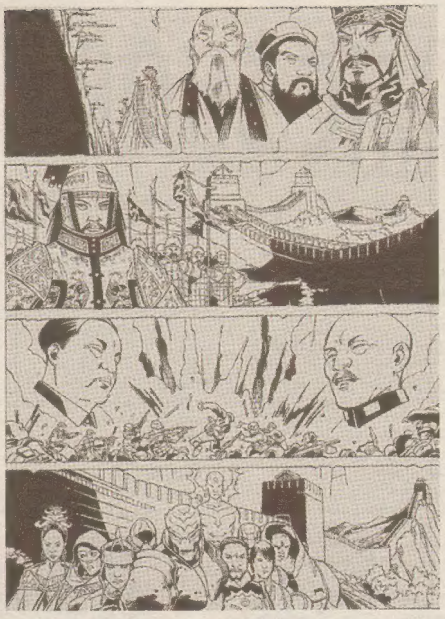

The Great Ten may be one of those international super-teams you've never heard of... but *Tony Bedard* is determined to remedy that oversight.

The team of ten Chinese government-sanctioned superheroes, originally introduced more than three years ago by *Grant Morrison* in the pages of *52 #6*, "grew out of [DC publisher] *Paul Levitz'* desire to see more international superheroes," Morrison explained back in 2006. "After the first 52 story meeting, I went home, dug out the reference material on Chinese history and culture I'd used to help create the backstory for the 'Xorn' character in *New X-Men*, and hammered out a huge document complete with detailed origin stories and backgrounds for every member of the Great Ten, as well as some details of the Chinese Government's 'super-functionary' program."

After 52 wrapped up, the Great Ten showed up again briefly in 2007 before dropping out of sight for a couple of years. But this fall, they'll take a position in the spotlight when *Tony Bedard & Scott McDaniel* reintroduce the team in their own ten-part series in November.

What was it that made these relatively unknown characters so creatively appealing to Bedard? "To begin with, the Great Ten are *Grant Morrison* characters, and having edited Grant on ***JLA***, I know what great stuff he can come up with. His original write-up of the Ten is just 8 pages long, but there's enough wild ideas packed in there to yield 800 stories.

"What's more, they just look totally cool. *J.G. Jones'* designs for these guys are outstanding, incorporating traditional motifs in a very modern way. You can tell what most of them are about on sight.

"But the most attractive thing about them is that their potential is still untapped. They appeared in *52* and in ***Checkmate***, but they still need to be fleshed out, and when *Dan DiDio* called to ask me if I'd like to take a crack at a ***Great Ten*** limited series, I didn't have to think twice. I've always been interested in Chinese history and culture, I'm very much into global politics, and I knew I'd have something to entertaining to say if I could handle these characters.

"A ten-part ***Great Ten*** series is a chance to write ten very different tales that add up to one cohesive epic. An issue about Ghost Fox Killer is a supernatural pulp story. An issue about August General in Iron is more like a classic Captain America tale. An issue about Celestial Archer is more of a mythological story, like the Mighty Thor. This is a terrific opportunity as a writer."

Bedard describes the team as "the Justice League of China," explaining that "they're the official government-sanctioned superheroes of the People's Republic—which is good for them, because any *un*-sanctioned vigilante in China would quickly find himself on the wrong end of the People's Liberation Army."

However, unlike their Justice League counterparts, "The Great Ten are known as 'super-functionaries,' not superheroes. The emphasis is on their role in society, not on their personal glorification. And while they are held up as inspiring examples for the common man, they are firmly under the thumb of the Politburo. For now."

Bedard offered a brief rundown on the team's roster. "The leader is August General In Iron, China's official super-soldier. The team's main voice of dissent is Accomplished Perfect Physician, our 'Dr Strange' character. Ghost Fox Killer is a sort of supernatural Wonder Woman with a pulp femme fatale sensibility.

"Celestial Archer is our link to the world of Chinese mythology, and the most conflicted about the gods' return. Thundermind is a Buddhist Superman figure, the most beloved of the Ten. Seven Deadly Brothers can split into seven different martial artists, each a master of a different style.

"Mother of Champions can birth armies of super-soldiers who age and die at an accelerated rate. It's a weird, creepy power, but her attitude about it isn't at all what you might expect. Immortal Man-in-Darkness is a technological hero who flies the most advanced warplane on Earth. Red Socialist Guardian is a radioactive man, forever shut away in his containment suit and bitter over his fate. And Shaolin Robot is an ancient android whose operating system is based on the I-Ching."

What brings the Great ten out of DCU obscurity? "The overarching premise of the miniseries is that the gods of ancient China have returned and they're pissed off," Bedard said. "They don't like what the communist government has done with China, and they want to overthrow the current leadership and restore the nation's traditional values. But there's a deeper mystery behind this divine comeback, which will be revealed as we go along."

While the Great Ten will face an adversary, the identity of that adversary remains unknown for now, by both readers and by the Great Ten themselves. "The 'villain' is actually part of the mystery behind the gods' return," Bedard said. "Is it one of the gods? One of the Ten? Someone in the Chinese government? Someone outside China? We'll find out eventually what the truth is, and we'll have fun getting there."

Not only is Bedard enthused about the opportunity to expand on characters created by *Grant Morrison*, he is also quite pleased at the chance to work with artist *Scott McDaniel*. "I've been a huge McDaniel fan since his days on ***Nightwing***. I'm in awe of his mutant ability to make a page explode with action, even if there's no movement on it at all! His use of forced perspective and foreshortening is unmatched in the business. And the deceptive simplicity of his style is the mark of a master cartoonist. Seriously, no one has done such dynamic art since the King himself.

"Having worked with Scott before, both as a writer and an editor, I know that another of his strong suits is his sense of design. And since this book needs to capture the unique look and flavor of several different Chinese locales, I knew he'd handle this book really well. You have to see his designs for the Chinese gods, which update them in a way comparable to what Kirby did with the Norse gods, but with a flavor that's McDaniel's own."

Does Bedard feel that there's still a need for more cultural diversity in the DCU—and if so, will groups like the Great Ten help to fill that void? "I think it's good to be mindful of diversity—but if that's the only reason to create a character, it's probably not enough to make it succeed. What's good about Grant's creation is that he was already interested in this culture and worldview before the mandate ever came down... I don't think these were characters he dreamed up purely for the sake of affirmative action. They draw on a long fascination with Eastern thought, Asian archetypes, and Chinese mythology.

"As for the DCU needing that sort of thing, I think all comics universes tend to reflect changes in society at large. As we become more racially diverse as a culture, we'll see that in our pop culture, too."

How does Bedard walk the tightrope between making a group true to its cultural roots and still appealing to readers with Western cultural sensibilities? "This actually gets to a trouble spot for me. I fully realize that no matter how hard I try, no matter how much research I do, nor how pure my intentions, I cannot write the insider's view of Chinese superheroes. I'm not Chinese... Nevertheless, I've experienced a lot of different cultures firsthand. I know what it's like to have to learn a new language just to make friends. And I know what it's like to move from one culture to a completely different one and then try to fit in.

"I've also studied fairly extensively the history of China, and the fundamentals of Taoism, Buddhism, Zen (yeah, I know that's Buddhism, too, but it's a thing unto itself). I've studied the ***Tao Te Ching, The Art of War*** – all of this long before I got a job in comics. So I'm bringing a lifetime of experience and passion for the subject matter to this book.

"And I'm also recognizing that China isn't one monolithic culture. It's cobbled together from disparate territories and ethnicities. It's a melting pot of sorts. And China is greater than the sum of its parts. I think that aspect is something Americans understand, even if the Chinese national character is different from the American way. We were born in a war for independence, and we're geared toward individuality. China is rooted in a history of Warring States, and it values stability and the needs of the many.

"But don't worry, this isn't going to be politics comics—and it's not a travelogue, either. It's a series about ten really cool individuals in a massive crisis. It's a fun story, given depth by all the background cultural stuff."

While the Great Ten's solo debut is only a limited series, Bedard is hopeful that it might lead to something more. "If I do my job right – and I know McDaniel will hold up his end – people will want more Great Ten... I only ask that you give this book a chance. ***The Great Ten*** is going to be fun, fresh—and whatever you're expecting, be prepared to be surprised!"

The Great Ten #1, a $2.99 comic, is scheduled for November 4th release.

by Vaneta Rogers
(with Cliff Biggers)

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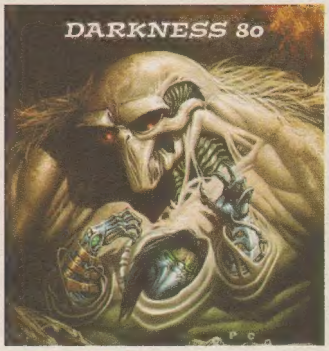

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•*Phil Hester*, who was already announced as writer of ***Darkness #s 80 & 81***, will also supply the art for those issues.

•Bluewater Productions will combine their ***Political Power: Barack Obama*** and ***Female Force: Michelle Obama*** biographies in a 48-page flipbook entitled ***First Family: The Obamas***. The new edition will feature a new wraparound cover by *Vinne Tartamella*.

•***Chew*** keeps taking a bite out of the comics market: the first issue has sold through three printings and the second issue has gone through two printings, and there's still a lot of demand for the books (demand that was made worse by a distribution glitch that resulted in many parts of the country receiving few or no copies of those printings). That's why Image is going back to press with ***Chew #1 4th (and final) printing***, ***Chew #2 3rd printing***, and ***Chew #3 2nd printing***. "I continued to be stunned and staggered by response to this book, and I don't understand it one bit.," creator/writer *John Layman* said. "***Chew*** is about a cannibal cop, set post bird flu alternative reality. Nobody should want to read it, and, yet, it continues to sell out... "

•*Michael Uslan*, writer of the hit "Archie Marries Veronica" storyline that launched in ***Archie #600*** two weeks ago, has been tapped to reinvent the Archie-gang-as-superheroes Pureheart the Powerful concept in five specials slated for 2010 release. "We're not just talking *one* super-hero here!" Uslan said. "Archie will be joined by Betty as Superteen, Jughead as Captain Hero, Reggie as Evilheart, Jr., and wait'll you see the super-versions of Veronica, Dilton and Moose! Surprises galore are just ahead! Pureheart and Pureheart's Emergency Patrol will debut in a series of five one-shot comic books that bring back to life the five historic super-hero titles that launched The Archie Comics, originally known as MLJ Comics, back in the Golden Age of the 1930's and 40's." Those titles being revived for this event are ***Pep Comics***, ***Jackpot Comics***, ***Blue Ribbon Comics***, ***Zip Comics***, and ***Top-Notch Laugh Comics***.

•Marvel has announced 1-for-100 Hero Variants for ***Dark Reign: The List—Avengers***, ***Dark Reign: The List—Daredevil***, ***Dark Reign: The List—X-Men***, ***Dark Reign: The List—Secret Warriors***, ***Dark Reign: The List—Punisher***, ***Dark Reign: The List—Hulk***, and ***Dark Reign: The List—Wolverine***. Check with the folks at your friendly neighborhood comic shop for info on pricing and availability!

•Marvel is offering a 1-for-4 *Dale Eaglesham* Mr. Fantastic Variant for ***Fantastic Four #570***. The ratio kicks up a bit for ***Fantastic Four #571***, with Eaglesham providing a 1-for-14 Invisible Woman variant. Then the ratio gets even higher for the 1-for-18 Eaglesham Human Torch variant for ***Fantastic Four #572***. No word yet on the Thing variant for ***FF #573***, but you know it's on the way...

•***Punisher Annual #1*** will have a 1-for-15 Rest In Pieces variant.

•***Human Torch #1***, in shops this week, will ship with an unannounced 1-for-25 *Alex Ross* sketch variant.

•The variant onslaught continues: Marvel has announced 1-for-5 Super Hero Squad Variants for ***New Avengers #57***, ***Incredible Hulk #602***, ***Fantastic Four #571***, and ***Incredible Hercules #135***.

•The ***Broken Trinity Deluxe Hardcover*** has grown quite a bit; the 9" x 12" slipcased edition will add the ***First Born*** saga to the collection. The new ***First Born/Broken Trinity Deluxe Hardcover*** will contain ***First Born #s 1-3***, the tie-in issues of ***Witchblade*** (#s ***110-112***), ***First Born Aftermath***, ***Broken Trinity #s 1-3***, and the three tie-in oneshots. That's thirteen full comics' worth of material, as well as a behind-the-scenes section, a new wraparound cover by *Stjepan Sejic*, and a 24" x 36" full color poster. Image is allowing retailers to adjust their orders for this expanded edition, so be sure to let the folks at your friendly neighborhood comic shop know if you're interested!

Back to Press

•***Blackest Night: Batman #1 Second Printing*** (JUL098047), featuring a recolored version of the original cover by *Andy Kubert*, in stores September 10th,

•***Blackest Night: Tales of the Corps #1 Second Printing*** (JUL098051), featuring a recolored version of the original cover by *Ed Benes & Rob Hunter*, in stores September 10th.

•***Amazing Spider-Man #600 Second Printing Variant*** (JUN098464), in stores September 10th.

•***Amazing Spider-Man #601 Second Printing Variant*** (JUL098020), in stores September 16th.

•***Captain America: Reborn #1 Second Printing Variant*** (MAY098145), in stores this week.

•***Deadpool #12 Second Printing Variant*** (JUL098021), in stores September 16th.

•***Deadpool: Merc With a Mouth #2 Second Printing Variant*** (MAY098022), in stores September 16th.

•***Incredible Hulk #600 Second Printing Variant*** (JUN098465), in stores September 10th.

•***Wednesday Comics #1 Second Printing*** (JUN098460) and ***#2 Second Printing*** (JUN098461), in stores this week.

•***X-Men Forever #3 Second Printing Variant*** (JUN098479), in stores September 10th.

•***X-Men Forever #4 Second Printing Variant*** (JUN098480), in stores September 10th.

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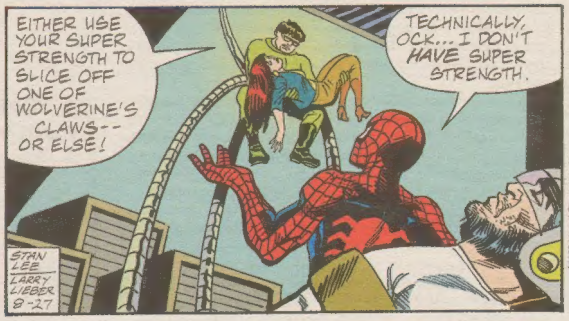
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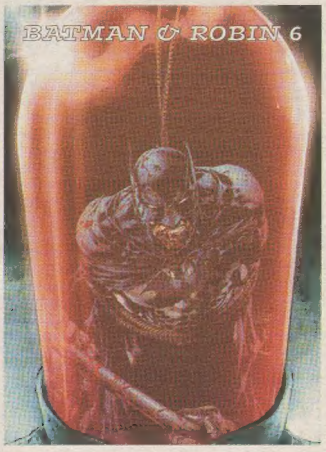
Coming Comics—DC in November.

In ***Adventure Comics #4***, *Geoff JOhns & Jerry Ordway* present the return of Superboy—Superboy-Prime, that is—in a ***Blackest Night*** tie-in issue! Prime has met his match. The Black Lanterns know his deepest, darkest secrets and force Prime to feel emotions he's long discarded.

In *Grant Morrison, Philip Tan, & Jonathan Glapion's* conclusion to "The Revenge of the Red Hood," Gotham's new "protector" reveals his identity to Batman – and surprisingly poses a heart-stopping question to Dick Grayson about the future of Bruce Wayne! Find out what that question is in ***Batman & Robin #6***.



Doc Savage returns to DC Comics... and comes face-to-fist with the Batman in the ***Batman/Doc Savage Special*** by *Brian Azzarello & Phil Noto*. Take a look at a shadowy new version of the DC Universe, where the thugs run rampant, corruption runs deep, and even heroes can't be trusted! Doc Savage, the Man of Bronze, hates what he's heard about the connections between a grisly murder and Gotham City's violent new vigilante. But the Batman can't abide do-gooders getting in his way...and his .45 just won't stay in its holster! This oneshot leads into a new six-issue miniseries by Azzarello & *Rags Morales*.

In *Royal McGraw & Marcos Marz's* ***Batman Confidential #36***, Wayne Industries collaborator Blackhawk Industries has valuable information stolen right under Batman's nose, and it's up to Batman to solve the case—but finding that solution will involve a trip to Poland, a giant robot, and the aid of Lady Blackhawk.

Nekron, Lord of the Undead, is revealed as dark being behind the undead Black Lanterns in *Geoff Johns, Ivan Reis, & Oclair Albert's* ***Blackest Night #5***, and DC's heroes discover they're not only fighting for their lives, but their *after-lives* as well.

In *Dan Jurgens'* ***Booster Gold #26***, a ***Blackest Night*** tie-in issue, Booster's worst fears are realized when Ted Kord comes back as a Black Lantern intent on killing his former best friend.

Batman comes face to face with Brother Power, the Geek on the street of Gotham City in ***The Brave & the Bold #29*** by *J. Michael Straczynski & Jesus Saiz*.

When ***Blackest Night*** falls, skeletons start coming out of the closets — and no one has more skeletons in his closet than Niles Caulder, founder of the Doom Patrol. Caulder has been

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Dr. Horrible One-Shot—From the Joss Whedon-helmed webmovie *Dr. Horrible's Sing-Along Blog* comes the origin story of the next greatest super-villain of all time... **Dr. Horrible**, from writer Zack Whedon and artist Joelle Jones!

Batman/Doc Savage Special #1—The Man of Bronze returns to DC Comics in a one-shot written by Brian Azzarello and featuring the breathtaking art of Phil Noto! It's a vital prologue to the upcoming mini-series which will introduce DC's new pulp-influenced universe!

Pilot Season: Murderer—Top Cow's **Pilot Season** continues with Kirkman and Silvestri's **Murderer**, the story of a man bombarded by the every thought of those around him; bombarded from all sides by their every dirty little secret. His only peace comes from murder... and he's trying to use it for good.

Dark X-Men #1—Never one to say "die," Norman Osborn is keeping what's left of his post-*Utopia* X-Men alive... the public face of mutants in an Osborn world. But what does Nate Grey, a.k.a. X-Man, have to do with it? Only writer Paul Cornell and artist Leonard Kirk know for certain!

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playing god for years, and the time for a reckoning has come in ***Doom Patrol #4*** by *Keith Giffen, Justiniano, & Livesay.*

The Great Ten #1 brings back the Chinese super-team initially introduced by *Grant Morrison* in the pages of ***52***. *Tony Bedard, Scott McDaniel, & Andy Owens* do the honors for this new international superhero series. (See this week's cover story for more info.)

Agent Orange and his Orange Lanterns face off against the Black Lantern Corps in *Geoff Johns, Doug Mahnke, & Christian Alamy's* ***Green Lantern #48***, and Larfleeze finds himself wanting something he never has before: Help. Meanwhile, Saint Walker comes face-to-face with the one being in the universe he has no patience for – Sinestro!

The Green Lanterns' epic fight to preserve Oa and the Central Power Battery from being consumed by the Black Lanterns continues in ***Green Lantern Corps #42*** by *Peter J. Tomasi, Patrick Gleason, & Rebecca Buchman*. While the Corps faces the most desperate moment in its entire history, a new threat materializes that will shake them to their very souls.

Blackest Night darkens the skies over the JLA in ***Justice League of America #39*** by the superstar creative team of *James Robinson & Mark Bagley*. Can the team get it together in time to survive the return of the undead Dr. Light? Or will his now-shadowy evil strangle everybody where they stand?

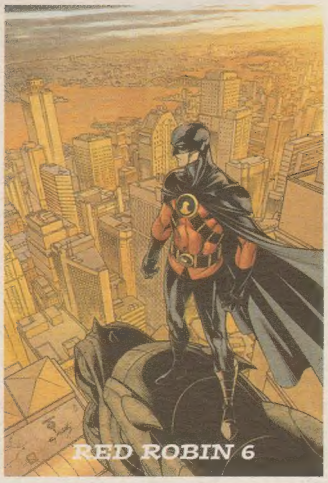
The newer members of the JSA explore the team's mansion headquarters and learn a thing or two about themselves in ***Justice Society of America 80-Page Giant #1***, which features seven original tales by such creators as *Zander Cannon, Kevin Grevioux, Jen Van Meter, Jerry Ordway, Renato Guedes, Freddie Williams III, James Robinson, & Matthew Sturges.*

Anthrax's *Scott Ian* makes his comics debut with ***Lobo: Highway to Hell #1***, joining artist *Sam Kieth* for a series that find Lobo facing off against Satan himself. Hell's iron-fisted ruler has some serious hatred for the last Czarnian, and he's gonna hit Lobo right in his blackened, scabrous heart. So Lobo's just gonna have to hit him harder. Repeatedly. But first, Lobo has to go to Hell...a little sooner than anticipated!

The Black Lanterns fight the Sinestro Corps with the R.E.B.E.L.S. caught in the middle in ***R.E.B.E.L.S. #10*** by *Tony Bedard & Andy Clarke*, a ***Blackest Night*** tie-in.

Witness the return of the teenage dead in ***Teen Titans #77***, a ***Blackest Night*** tie-in by *JT Krul, Joe Bennett, & Jack Jadson.*

It's brother vs. undead sister when Black Lantern Terra comes to claim the still-beating hearts of Geo-Force and the rest of the Outsiders in *Peter Tomasi, Fernando Pasarin, & Jay Leisten's* ***Outsiders #24***, a ***Blackest Night*** tie-in.



Red Robin #6 features the debut of new series artist *Marcus To*, who joins writer *Christopher Yost* for a story that find Tim Drake working with Ra's al Ghul as he wages war against the Council of Spiders.

Clark Kent joins the Daily Planet in ***Superman: Secret Origin #3*** by *Geoff Johns, Gary Frank, & Jon Sibal*. But the Metropolis that Clark discovers as he says farewell to Smallville is quite different from the Metropolis that readers know now. Over the years, Superman has come to mean everything to Metropolis, but be here to learn why Metropolis means everything to Superman!

Mon-El makes his triumphant return to Metropolis in *James Robinson, Fernando Dagnino, & Raul Fernandez's* ***Superman #694***, complete with a new look and a determined manner—just in time to combat the unstoppable fury of Bizarro.

Bizarro and Man-Bat face down the undead power of Black Lantern Solomon Grundy in ***Superman/Batman #66***, a ***Blackest Night*** tie-in by *Scott Kolins.*

As if the situation involving humans and Kryptonians wasn't troublesome enough, it gets even more complicated in *James Robinson, Greg Rucka, & Pete Woods'* ***Superman: World of Krypton #9*** when Jemm, Son of Saturn, ruler of the super-powered Saturnian race, arrives in Kandor demanding answers to New Krypton's recent actions – answers he intends to get even if he has to fight his way through Commander Kal-El and the entire Kryptonian army!

It's not easy being a dad in the DCU – just ask Roy Harper, who never wants to leave his daughter Lian an orphan. Unfortunately, that choice may not be his to make, as he is about to discover in ***Titans #19*** by *JT Krul, Angel Unzueta, & Wayne Faucher.*

Mike Grell continues as both writer *and* artist in ***Warlord #8***, the conclusion to "The Forgotten." Under siege by the Beast-Men and the remains of the Golden God's army, Travis Morgan thought he was defending an innocent girl… but in truth, his sword serves a power he never expected!

DC collected editions include:

- ***Batman: The Cat & the Bat TP***, collecting ***Batman Confidential #s 17-21***.
- ***Batman: The Wrath TP***, collecting ***Batman Confidential #s 13-16 & Batman Special #1***, which introduced the Wrath.
- ***Batman: The Cult TP***, a new edition of the *Jim Starlin-Bernie Wrightson* miniseries from 1989.
- ***Absolute Green Lantern: Rebirth HC***, an oversized slipcased deluxe edition of the acclaimed and historic series by *Geoff Johns & Ethan Van Sciver*. This volume also includes ***Green Lantern #1***, the preview story from ***Wizard Magazine***, and a tale from ***Green Lantern Secret Files 2005***.
- ***Booster Gold: Blue & Gold TP***, collecting ***Booster Gold #s 0, 7-10, & 1 Million***.
- ***Green Arrow/Black Canary: Enemies List TP***, collecting ***Green Arrow/Black Canary #s 15-20***.
- ***Green Lantern Chronicles Volume 2 TP***, collecting ***Green Lantern #s 4-9*** by *John Broome, Gil Kane, Murphy Anderson*, and others.
- ***JLA Year One TP***, a new printing of the twelve-issue miniseries by *Mark Waid, Brian Augustyn, Barry Kitson, & Michael Bair.*
- ***The Mighty Volume One TP***, collecting ***The Mighty #s 1-6***.
- ***Justice Society of America 80-Page Giant #1Volume Two TP***, collecting ***Rann/Thanagar: Holy War #s 5-8 & Adam Strange Special #1***.
- ***Showcase Presents Wonder Woman Volume Three TP***, collecting ***Wonder Woman 3s 138-156*** by *Robert Kanigher, Ross Andru, & Mike Esposito.*
- ***Simon Dark: The Game of Life TP***, collecting ***Simon Dark #s 13-18***.
- ***Teen Titans: Deathtrap TP***, collecting ***Teen Titans Annual 2009***, ***Titans #12 & 13***, ***Teen Titans #70***, and ***Vigilante #s 5 & 6***.

- ***Superman/Supergirl: Maelstrom TP***, collecting the five-issue miniseries.
- ***Terra TP***, collecting the four-part miniseries along with ***Supergirl #12***.
- ***Vixen: Return of the Lion TP***, collecting the five-part miniseries.

Coming Comics—WildStorm/DC in November

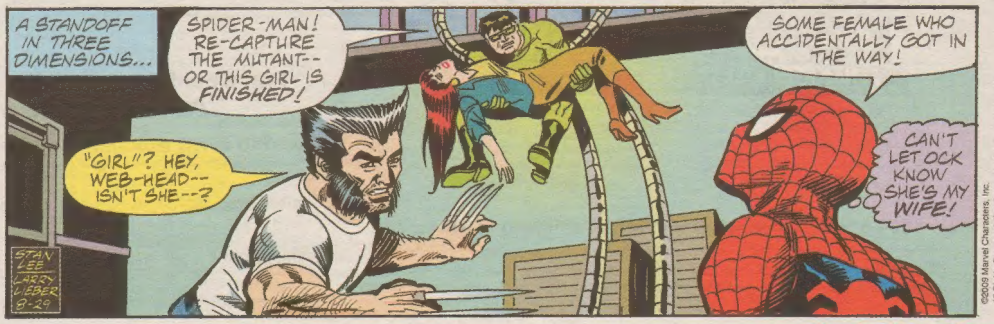
At last, the long-lost Authority series is being completed by *Keith Giffen, Darick Robertson, & Trevor Scott*, who pick up where *Grant Morrison & Gene Ha* left off with ***The Authority: The Lost Year #3***. This 12-issue monthly maxiseries will fill in the gaps and explain where The Authority was just before "World's End," how they escaped from a horrifying alternate reality, and at what cost. And just in case you don't remember what happened all those many, many months ago, DC is also collecting the first two Morrison-Ha issues of the series in ***The Authority: The Lost Year Reader***.

David Lapham & Kevin West follow the mysterious Task Force 141 soldier known as "Ghost" in ***Call of Duty: Modern Warfare 2 #1***. Learning the motivation behind his mask and monicker is the tip of the iceberg in a story spanning the globe from the United Kingdom to war-torn Afghanistan to the drug war in Mexico.

Sherlock Holmes and Doctor Watson versus zombies? That's the premise of ***Victorian Undead***, a six-part miniseries by *Ian Edginton & Davide Fabbri*. If the dead are returning to life to terrorize Victorian London, then who—or what – is behind the resurrection of these ravenous revenants?

Wildstorm collected volumes include:

- ***Ex Machina Volume Eight: Dirty Tricks TP***, collecting ***Ex Machina #s 35-39*** and the ***Ex Machina Halloween Special***.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• ***Fringe TP***, collecting the six-parter inspired by the hit *JJ Abrams* television series.
• ***Mirror's Edge TP***, collecting the six-issue videogame-inspired miniseries.

Coming Comics—Vertigo/DC in November

Jason Starr & Mick Bertilorenzi explore the terrors of a serial killer running loose in New York City in ***The Chill HC***. With each passing murder, the killings become more sadistic. The NYPD and the FBI have a suspect: a gorgeous young woman named Arlana. The only problem is that every witness provides a different description of her. None of it makes any sense to anyone except Martin Cleary, a beaten-down Irish cop from Boston with a whopper of a secret in his past – and a past that may go back a century or two . . .

When supernatural artifacts from the Homelands begin surfacing in the modern world, it falls to Cinderella, Fabletown's best kept (and best dressed) secret agent to stop the illegal trafficking. But can Cindy foil the dark plot before Fabletown and its hidden, exiled inhabitants are exposed once and for all? And how does her long lost Fairy Godmother factor into the equation? Find out in ***Cinderella: From Fabletown With Love #1*** by *Chris Roberson & Shawn McManus*.

Coming from DC Direct in April, 2010

DC Direct kicks off its ***Green Lantern: Legacies*** multi-part statue line with ***Green Lantern: Legacies Multi-Part Statue Part One: Hal Jordan & Guardians of the Universe***, sculpted by *Mike Locascio*. The statue is made up of four separate pieces (sold in three parts), which form a single statue. Part two will feature Kyle Rayner and a Manhunter robot, and Part Three will feature John Stewart and Guy Gardner. The bases of each piece slide together to form a Lantern-shaped base, on which all of the characters stand. Each of the three parts includes a piece of the fourth portion of the statue, which can be easily assembled to form Alan Scott, who rises up from the center of the piece. All three parts of the statue are needed to complete the Alan Scott figure.

DC unleashes its second wave of ***Blammoids*** figures with quirky, chunky versions of ***Plastic Man, Batgirl, Creeper, Darkseid, Superman,*** and ***Lex Luthor***.

Tim Bruckner is the sculptor who launches the new ***DC Chronicles*** statue line. ***DC Chronicles: Batman Statue*** offers a modern sculptural interpretation of the early comic book appearances of Batman. This new statue line will have a consistent base, and the retro-style lettering/logo on the base further gives the piece a sense of the period from which it originated.

Harvey Dent's scarred visage is depicted in all its glory in the ***Two-Face 1:2 Scale Bust*** sculpted by *Andy Bergholtz*. Half of his face appears eerily charred, and both of his resin eyes are hauntingly realistic. Mounted on a museum-style, pedestal display base, this mixed-media piece measures approximately 13" high.

Batgirl joins the third series of ***Women of the DC Universe Busts***, courtesy of designer *Amanda Conner* and sculptor *Jack Mathews*. Batgirl is perched atop a base that is compatible with the ***Heroes of the DC Universe Series 1: Batman Bust***.

The best-selling line of ***Blackest Night*** action figures continues with ***Series 4***, featuring new figures of ***Green Lantern Kyle Rayner, Black Lantern Firestorm, Black Hand,*** and ***Wonder Woman***, who is surprisingly transformed by the events of ***Blackest Night***.

DC Direct offers a stunning, museum-quality display print of *Alex Ross's* art for ***Superman #675*** in the ***DC Cover Art Reproduction Print: Superman***. Offered on acid-free, double-matted authentic DC Comics artboard, perfect for framing, this facsimile of Ross' original pencil art appears beside a reproduction of the final, printed cover, and a Certificate of Authenticity signed by the artist himself.

The ***Lynda Carter as Wonder Woman Statue***, sculpted by *Tim Bruckner*, is offered once again in April, limited to 5000 pieces total.

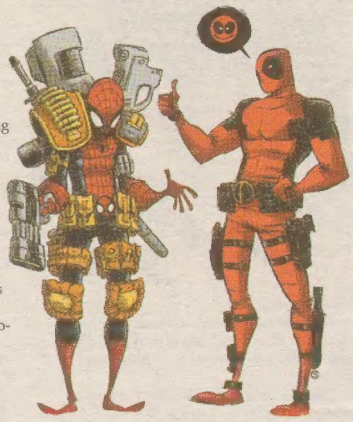
The ***Ame-Comi Heroine Series*** continues with ***Wonder Girl*** and ***Wonder Woman*** (v2). Each limited edition non-articulated PVC figure stands approximately 8.75" tall and is manufactured to order.

Blackest Night's Ring-ing Success

Love that Black Lantern ring that you got at your local comic shop back in July? Well, DC and your friendly neighborhood comic shop have a real treat in store for you—a whole array of prismatic-colored rings!

Beginning in November, DC is allowing retailers the opportunity to buy various-colored rings in conjunction with the various ***Blackest Night*** tie-in books spotlighted in this issue's ***Coming Comics—DC in November***. The yellow ring will ship on November 4th; the orange ring on November 18th; the red ring on December 2nd; the green ring on December 16th; the blue ring on December 23rd; the indigo ring on January 13th; and the violet ring on January 27th.

So what'll you have to do to get these ultra-desirable collectible rings? Well, you'll need to check with your local comics retailer for that info, since each retailer is free to establish different qualifications and related buy-ins. But let 'em know ASAP that you're interested, because these rings are going to disappear very, *very* quickly!



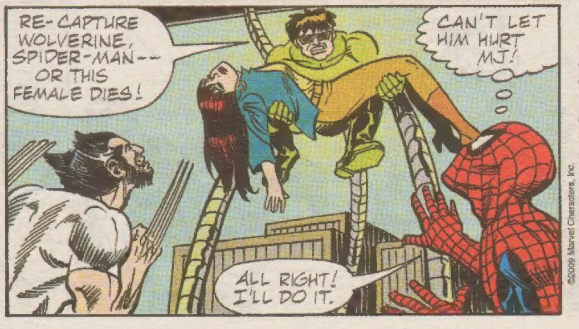
Coming Comics—Marvel in November

Deadpool pays a visit in ***Amazing Spider-Man #611*** by *Joe Kelly & Eric Canete*. But *why*?

Mark Waid & Paul Azaceta launch "The Gauntlet" in ***Amazing Spider-Man #612***. Marvel describes this as "the event that redefines Spider-Man's classic arch-enemies one by one," and the excitement starts with Electro. Destitute and desperate, conned out of his life's meaning and worth, Max Dillon becomes the voice of the common man against the brutal injustice of a system overloaded by greed.

The Prince of Power takes the fight to his villainous stepmother Hera and the forces of the Olympus Group -- just as she unleashes the most terrifying threat the Marvel Universe has ever seen! But first Herc has to gather together a star-studded strike force from the ranks of the New and the Mighty Avengers! Find out who's on his list in ***Assault on New Olympus*** by *Greg Pak, Fred Van Lente, & Rodney Buchemi*.

The X-Men have fought towering, mutant-slaying robot Sentinels before. But never one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quite like this: a Sentinel made of meat and bone, wearing the skin of one of their own deceased teammates. See him in action in ***Astonishing X-Men #32*** by *Warren Ellis & Phil Jimenez.*

The secret origin of the original Black Knight is finally revealed in ***The Black Knight*** by *Tom DeFalco & Ron Frenz.*

Learn all about Natalia Romanova's past in ***Black Widow: Deadly Origin,*** a four-parter by *Paul Cornell, Tom Raney, & John Paul Leon.* A skeleton from her past is reaching out for those she's loved and lost in a tale that guest-stars the Winter Soldier and Wolverine.

Captain America: Reborn comes to an end with #5, and Steve Rogers is back...or is he? *Ed Brubaker & Bryan Hitch's* action-packed finale finds the Avengers trying to rescue their best and brightest from the Red Skull's darkest designs, and the fates of Steve Rogers and Bucky Barnes lie in the balance.

In ***Dark Avengers #11*** by *Brian Bendis & Mike Deodato,* The Dark Avengers are pitted against a foe they cannot defeat: A man with the power over every molecule in the world! And by the time it's over, someone dies... but you'll have to wait until November to find out who!

Dark Reign: The List continues with ***Amazing Spider-Man*** by *Dan Slott & ADam Kubert,* in which Norman Osborn decides that it's time to take down Spidey.

In ***Dark Tower: The Battle of Jericho Hill #1,*** Roland Deschain and crew are on the run following the complete destruction of Gilead. And when such as Gilead falls, the pillars of reality itself—the six beams holding all of existence together—begins to crumble, as *Peter David, Robin Furth, & Jae Lee* reveal in this new five-part series.

Mystique... Dark Beast... Weapon Omega... Mimic... they're the face of the mutants in an Osborn-dominated world, but readers will know them as ***Dark X-Men.*** But what does Natë Grey have to do with it?

Marvel launches yet another Deadpool series with ***Deadpool Team-Up #899*** (hey, you didn't expect 'em to start with dull ol' number one, did you?). In the first issue, Deadpool and the Incredible Hercules take on Arcade and Nightmare, courtesy of *Fred Van Lente & Dalibor Talajic.*

Marvel's ultimate cyborg returns in the seven-part ***Deathlok*** by *Charlie Huston & Lan Medina.* In the not-too-distant future, war is a spectator sport, warriors die hard and live fast, and living larger than anyone is super-soldier Lieutenant Mike Travers. That is, until Travers hotdogs it on the battlefield and gets himself and his C.O., Luther Manning, blown to bits. But obliteration is only the beginning for Deathlok.

Jeph Loeb & Ian Churchill present the final chapter of "Code Red" in ***Hulk #17.*** Is the Red Hulk strong enough to face off against Wolverine, Punisher, Deadpool, and the new Red She-Hulk? Find out in this tale that sets the stage for ***World War Hulks.***

After picking fights with the Juggernaut, Norman Osborn, and the Wolverine clan, the most insane father and son team in the Marvel Universe might actually be bonding. But everything's about to blow wide open for Bruce Banner and his big, green, barbarian son Skaar when one of the Hulk's greatest enemies brings back the most important villainess Bruce Banner's ever faced in ***Incredible Hulk #604.***

The World's Most Wanted is now the World's Most Shattered... how does Tony Stark come back from the events of the last year? Find out in ***Invincible Iron Man #20*** by *Matt Fraction & Salvador Larroca.*

Iron Man faces off against the all-new Whiplash in the four-part ***Iron Man Vs. Whiplash,*** which serves as a lead-in to the upcoming ***Iron Man 2*** film. Who is Anton Vanko and why does he blame Tony Stark for the murder of thousands? You'll find out soon enough!

From distant space, a destructive force is sweeping through the universe wiping Callystes, Dakoï, Lilith and Planet Earth from the stellar map. A rocket full of refugees hurtles through space with the letter "K" emblazoned on its side. On board the unlikely crew of seven children, several adults, an ancient wizard-knight and the ghost of a cyborg travel with a mysterious cargo that will alter their fates forever in ***Kookaburra K #1*** by *Crisse, Hicks, & Humberto Ramos.*

Eric Shanower & Skottie Young return to Oz with their adaptation of the appropriately-entitled ***Marvelous Land of Oz.*** Join new characters Tip and Jack Pumpkinhead as they're whisked to Oz.

The Mighty Avengers and members of the New Avengers, Young Avengers, and the Avengers Resistance assemble against the Unspoken in ***Mighty Avengers #31*** by *Dan Slott, Christos Gage, & Sean Chen.* Meanwhile, Quicksilver is reunited with the Inhumans... but what wil they do with him?

The War of The Marvels is over, but before Carol Danvers can deal with it's aftermath, she must brace herself as she faces down the biggest mistake she made before her apparent death: promising Spider-Man she'd go out with him! Witness the Amazing Spider-Date in ***Ms. Marvel #47*** by *Brian Reed & Mark Robinson.*

"Necrosha" continues in ***X-Force #21,*** in which the resurrected dead lay siege to the X-Men's headquarters; and ***New Mutants #7,*** which sees the New Mutants old enemies the Hellions back from the grave.

After far too long a hiatus, *Brian Bendis & Michael Avon Oeming* promise to get things back on a monthly schedule as their relaunch their creator-owned ***Powers.*** The first issue of the relaunch offers a perfect place for new readers to join in on the adventures of homicide detectives Christian Walker and Enki Sunrise, who investigate murders specific to super hero cases... powers. And for those who want to know who everyone is, there's ***Powers Encyclopedia Volume 1,*** a 64-page who's who and what's what.

Psylocke has returned to the X-Men! Following the defeat of Madelyne Pryor and her Sisterhood, Psylocke travels to Japan to re-inter her former body in its proper resting place. But when a swarm of Hand ninjas attack Psylocke under orders from the assassin Matsu'o, Psylocke determines that Matsu'o is one loose end that can no longer be left unresolved. Witness the confrontation in ***Psylocke,*** a four-parter by *Christopher Yost & Harvey Tolibao.*

In the belly of New York, skulking and forgotten creatures of the night uncover the remains of a man in a familiar outfit. Frank Castle is dead. What exactly *is* Frankencastle? *Rick Remender & Tony Moore* answer that question in ***Punisher #11.***

Jason Aaron & Steve Dillon launch an all-new ongoing series starring Marvel's most brutal vigilante in ***PunisherMax #1.*** The first arc takes readers back to the early days of the greatest villain that the Punisher has ever faced. Wilson Fisk is a bodyguard for mob boss Don Rigoletto, but he has his eyes on a much bigger prize, and he's gonna use Frank Castle to help him realize his dreams.

The shocking showdown between Black Bolt and Vulcan has created The Fault, a vast tear through time and space through which almost anything can charge into our universe. What secrets does it hold? What dangers lurk within? Find out in ***Realm of Kings,*** a oneshot by *Dan Abnett, Andy Lanning, & Leonardo Manco.*

Growing out of this oneshot are ***Realm of Kings: Imperial Guard,*** a five-parter by *Dan Abnett, Andy Lanning, & Kev Walker;* and ***Realm of Kings: Inhumans,*** a five-parter by *Dan Abnett, Andy Lanning, & Pablo Raimondi.* Also tying in to the ***Realm of Kings*** storyline are ***Guardians of the Galaxy #20*** and ***Nova #31.***

Marvel reveals the developmental history of the ***Sky Doll*** saga in the two-part ***Sky Doll—Doll's Factory*** by *Barbara Canepa, CB Cebulski, & Alessandro Barbucci,* which offers drafts, sketches, roughs, and more.

No longer Sorcerer Supreme of the Marvel Universe, Stephen Strange must discover a new path to fulfillment and enlightenment. Unfortunately, that path leads through a bizarre, terrifying gauntlet of magical menaces--and if the former Master of the Mystic Arts is going to survive the journey, he'll need some assistance--in the form of a brand-new student! Find out who that student is in ***Strange,*** a four-parter by *Mark Waid & Emma Rios.*

Spinning out of ***Astonishing X-Men*** comes *Kieron Gillen & Steven Sanders'* ***S.W.O.R.D. #1.*** After ***Secret Invasion,*** Agent Brand is no longer the top dog at S.W.O.R.D. Forced to share her leadership post with former Avengers-liaison Henry Gyrich, Brand is less than pleased. Will the arrival of her boyfriend, X-Man Beast, help her out? Not when she discovers Gyrich's plan for fixing S.W.O.R.D. is to rid Earth of all aliens!

Has Doctor Doom crossed a line? And what role did Loki play in Doom's sinister plans? What did Loki know? Thor's on his way to Latveria so that he and Doom can have a serious (and rather physical) chat in ***Thor #604*** by *Kieron Gillen* (who starts his six-issue run here) *& Billy Tan...*

Captain America and The Avengers face-off as the dreaded Red Skull plots universal mayhem! How will Fury's death squad cope with the legend and his son? Find out in ***Ultimate Comics Avengers #5*** by *Mark Millar & Carlos Pacheco.*

Tying in to "The Gauntlet," ***Web of Spider-Man #2*** offers a look back at Max Dillon's electrifying origins in a tale by *Fred Van Lente & Barry Kitson.* Meanwhile, Spider-Girl continues her war with the Jersey Devil, while her clone April faces off against the remnants of the Cult of the Goblin.

Roberto Aguirre-Sacasa & Phil Noto explore the early days of Bobby Drake's mutant career in ***X-Men Origins: Iceman.***

Marvel collected volumes include:

- ***Amazing Spider-Man by JMS Ultimate Collection Book 2 TP,*** collecting ***ASM #s 46-58 & 500-502.***
- ***Astonishing X-Men Volume 5: Ghost Box TP,*** collecting ***Astonishing X-Men #s 25-30 & Ghost Boxes #s 1-2.***
- ***Avengers: The Initiative—Disassembled TP,*** collecting ***Avengers: The Initiative #s 20-25*** and the ***Reptil*** oneshot.
- ***Avengers: The Korvac Saga Premiere HC,*** collecting ***Avengers #s 167-168 & 170-177.***
- ***Black Panther: Deadliest of the Species TP,*** collecting ***Black Panther #s 1-6.***
- ***Captain America: Theater of War HC,*** collecting four oneshot tales of war and heroism.

•*Daredevil Noir: Liar's Poker Premiere HC*, collecting the four-part miniseries.
•*Dark Avengers Volume : Assemble TP*, collecting *Dark Avengers #s 1-6*.
•*Dark Avengers/Uncanny X-Men: Utopia HC*, collecting the twelve-part summer event.
•*Dark Reign: Elektra TP*, collecting the five-issue miniseries.
•*Deadpool Classic Volume 3 TP*, collecting *Deadpool #s 9-17 & Amazing Spider-Man #47*.
•*Destroyer Premiere HC*, collecting the *Robert Kirkman-Cory Walker* five-parter.
•*Essential Moon Knight Volume 3 TP*, collecting *Moon Knight #s 31-38, v2 #s 1-6*, and more.

•*Exiles: Point of No Return TP*, collecting *Exiles #s 1-6*.
•*Fantastic Four: In Search of Galactus Premiere HC*, collecting *FF #s 204-214*.
•*Fantastic Four Visionaries: Walter Simonson Volume 3 TP*, collecting *FF #s 347-350 & 352-354*.
•*Ghost Rider: Danny Ketch Classic Volume 1 TP*, collecting *Ghost Rider #s 1-10*.
•*Immortal Iron Fist Volume 5: Escape from the Eighth City TP*, collecting *Immortal Iron Fist #s 22-27*.
•*Incognito TP*, collecting the *Ed Brubaker-Sean Phillips* miniseries.
•*Incredible Hercules: Sacred Invasion HC*, collecting *Hercules #s 116-125*.
•*Iron Man: Requiem*, collecting the origin of Iron Man from *Tales of Suspense #39* and a Vietnam adventure from *Invincible Iron Man #144*.
•*Marvel Masterworks: Golden Age Daring Mystery Volume 2 HC*, collecting Golden Age adventures from *Daring Mystery #s 5-8*.
•*Marvel Masterworks: The Fantastic Four Volume 12 HC*, collecting *FF #s 117-128*.
•*Marvel Masterworks: The Uncanny X-Men Volume 1 TP*, collecting *Giant Size X-Men #1 & X-Men #s 94-100*.
•*Marvel Zombies 3 TP*, collecting the four-issue miniseries.
•*Mighty Avengers: Earth's Mightiest TP*, collecting *Mighty Avengers #s 21-26* and material from *Secret Invasion: Requiem*.
•*The 'Nam Volume 1 TP*, collecting *The 'Nam #s 1-10*.
•*New Avengers Volume 11: Search for the Sorcerer Supreme TP*, collecting *New Avengers #s 51-54*.
•*New Mutants: Return of Legion Premiere HC*, collecting *New Mutants #s 1-5*.
•*Nova Volume 5: War of Kings TP*, collecting *Nova #s 23-28*.
•*Official Handbook of the Marvel Universe A to Z Volume 11 Premiere HC*, spotlighting characters from S to T.
•*Powers: The Definitive Collection HC Volume 3 HC*, collecting *Powers #s 25-37*.
•*Punisher: Dark Reign TP*, collecting *Punisher #s 1-5*.
•*Runaways: Homeschooling Premiere HC*, collecting *Runaways V3 #s 11-14 & What If the Runaways Became the Young Avengers?*
•*Sky Doll Volume 1 TP*, collecting *Sky Doll #s 1-3*.
•*Spider-Man: Died in Your Arms Tonight Premiere HC*, collecting *Amazing Spider-Man #s 600-601, Annual #36*, and material from *Spider-Man Family #7*.
•*The Stand: American Nightmares Premiere HC*, collecting the five-part series.
•*Star Comics: All-Star Collection Volume 1 GN*, collecting nine all-ages adventures from the Star Comics era.
•*Terror Inc: Apocalypse Soon TP*, collecting the four-part miniseries.
•*The Trojan War Premiere HC*, collecting *The Trojan War #s 1-5*.
•*Uncanny X-Men: First Class—Hated & Feared GN*, collecting *Giant Size Uncanny X-Men First Class & Uncanny X-Men First Class #s 1-4*.
•*War of Kings HC*, collecting *War of Kings #s 1-6, War of Kings: Ascension #s 1-4, War of Kings: Darkhawk #s 1-2*, plus a trio of oneshots and background info in a massive 432-page volume.
•*Wolverine: Origins—Dark Reign TP*, collecting *Wolverine: Origins #s 31-36*.
•*Wolverine: Origins—Romulus Premiere HC*, collecting *Wolverine: Origins #s 37-40*.
•*Wolverine: Tales of Weapon X GN*, collecting *Wolverine First Class #s 1-2, Weapon X: First Class #s 1-3, & Wolverine/Power Pack #2*.
•*Wolverine: Weapon X Volume 1—Adamantium Men*, collecting *Wolverine: Weapon X #s 1-5* and "A Day in the Life" from *Wolverine #s 73-74*.
•*X-Factor Volume 7: Time & A Half TP*, collecting *X-Factor #s 39-45*.
•*X-Men Legacy: Salvage TP*, collecting *X-Men Legacy #s 219-225*.
•*X-Men: Manifest Destiny TP*, collecting *X-Men: Manifest Destiny, Wolverine: Manifest Destiny #s 1-4*, and more.
•*X-Men: Worlds Apart TP*, collecting *X-Men: Worlds Apart #s 1-4* and more.

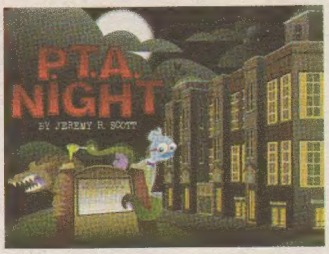
Coming Comics—Image in November

The biggest crossover event in Image history launches in November with the debut of ***Image United #1***. Each issue of this all-star extravaganza, written by *Robert Kirkman*, features art by *Erik Larsen, Rob Liefeld, Todd McFarlane, Whilce Portacio, Marc Silvestri, & Jim Valentino*—each of whom illustrates his own Image creations throughout the book. That's right—each page is an artistic jam session by some of the most respected talents in the industry!

The striking cover art of *Greg Horn* is spotlighted in the appropriately entitled *Cover Stories—The Art of Greg Horn Volume 2 HC*. This brand new volume features some of the artist's most recent work for Marvel, Image, and DC – as well as his best illustrations in advertising and video games.

Nick Spencer & Ron Salas revisit the world of *Existence 2.0* in their new four-parter, *Existence 3.0*. Sly's consciousness transfer technology has fallen into the wrong hands, and its new owners are on the hunt for the only living prototype! And as these new threats emerge, some familiar faces return and pose some intriguing challenges of their own.

Top Cow launches ***Pilot Season*** once again with ***Pilot Season: Murderer #1***, written by *Robert Kirkman* and illustrated by *Nelson Blake II*. The book focuses on Jason Sparks, whose every waking moment is bombarded with the thoughts of those around him. Every dirty little secret, every hidden desire, screamed at him in a cacophony of voices in his head. The only way to silence these voices, the only thing that brings him a moment of peace... is murder. But he's trying to use his powers for good.



Jeremy R. Scott presents the creepiest PTA experience ever in ***PTA Night***, where the lunch lady's soup comes alive, the janitor turns into a werewolf, and the old graveyard that the school was built over brings the dead back to life!

Top Cow and Heroes & Villains Entertainment join forces to present ***Tracker***, a five-issue limited series by *Jonathan Lincoln & Francis Tsai*. Alex O'Roark, the FBI's top tracker, has his perfect life ripped to shreds when a case to capture the world's most dangerous serial killer leads him straight into the maw of a werewolf. Now, keeping his secret from his gorgeous fiancé and the FBI, he must hunt down the wolf that infected him before the disease turns him into a monster.

Image collected volumes include:
•*Chew Volume 1: Taster's Choice TP*, collecting the first five issues of the *John Layman—Rob Guillory* hit.
•*The Complete Invincible Library Volume 2 HC*, collecting *Invincible #s 25-47* in a massive 688-page volume that's offered in a standard and a 150-copy signed limited edition.
•*I Kill Giants Titan Edition HC*, collecting *I Kill Giants #s 1-7*, plus bonus material, in a limited oversized edition.
•*Jersey Gods Volume 2: And This Is Home TP*, collecting *Jersey Gods #s 5-8*.
•*Noble Causes Volume 9: Five Years Later TP*, collecting *Noble Causes #s 32-36*.
•*Spawn Origins Collection: Deluxe Edition Volume 1 HC*, collecting *Spawn #s 1-25* in a 620-page hardcover edition.

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